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described and claimed in an application for Letters Patent of the United States having Serial No.10/034,637, and a Filing Date of 28 December 2001; that this application in part discloses and claims subject matter disclosed in our earlier filed pending application(s) of which we hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C., Section 120, Serial No. 09/183,170, filed 30 October 1998; that as to the subject matter of this application which is common to any said earlier application(s), we do not know and do not believe that the same was ever known or used in the United States before our invention or discovery thereof; that to the best of our knowledge and belief the invention of said common subject matter has not been in public use or on sale in the United States more than one year prior to the earliest of said application(s) or patented or described in any printed publication in any country before our invention thereof or more than one year prior to the earliest of said application(s), or patented or made the subject of an inventors' certificate in any foreign country prior to the date of the earliest of said application(s) on an application filed by ourselves or our legal representatives or assigns more than twelve months prior to the earliest of said application(s) in this country; and that no application for patent or inventors' certificate on the invention or discovery of said common subject matter has been filed by us or our legal representatives or assigns in any country foreign to the United States, except as follows:

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Wherefore we Pray that Letters Patent be granted to us for the invention or discovery described and claimed in the specification and claims of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/034,637, and we hereby subscribe our names to the specification and claims of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/034,637, Declaration, Power of Attorney and this Petition.

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